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FINANCE
LOK SABHA

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UNCLAIMED LIC POLICIES
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Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) the huge funds belonging to people who did not claim for funds after of their policies are lying with LIC;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) if so, the steps taken by LIC to find people who did not make claims and return the due funds?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI BALASAHEB VIKHE PATIL)

(a)&(b): The Life Insurance Corporation of India (LIC) has intimated thapolicy claims which remain unsettled are kept in the written back revenue account. The details for the last 5 years are given below:

Year	Amounts written back to Revenue Account (Rs. in crores)	Amounts paid which were written back to Revenue Account (Rs. in crores)	Net unclaimd amount credited to Life Fund Account (Rs. in crores)
1995-1996	19.37	7.37	12.00
1996-1997	28.31	9.40	18.01
1997-1998	31.39	12.05	19.34
1998-1999	29.00	13.62	15.38
1999-2000	31.31	12.31	19.00

(c): In order to trace out the policyholder/claimant, a systematic follow up is undertaken by the LIC by sending an ordinary letter in the first instance followed by a reminder and after three months through a Registered letter. In addition field personnel are also put on the job by LIC to trace out the claimants and ascertain their revised residential address, if any. Such claims are kept outstanding in the books of LIC for a period of 5 years. In case, policyholders/claimants are not traceable, the claims are written back to Revenue Account. However, if the policyholder/claimant later on makes a claim, the Corporation settles the same after satisfying itself of its genuineness.